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[Translation]

Setting up of Base Depot

5556. SHRI THAWAR CHAND GEHLOT : SHRI VISHVESHWAR BHAGAT :

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

- (a) the number of base depots of Food Corporation of India for supplying foodgrains under the Public Distribution System and revamped Public Distribution System, State/Union Territory-wise;
- (b) whether these base depots are sufficient to meet requirement:
- $(\ensuremath{\mathtt{c}})$ if not, whether the Union Government propose to set up more base depots; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, State/Union Territory-wise?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV):

(a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[English]

Reduction in ISD Charges

5557. SHRI K.S. RAYADU : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government of Singapore have reduced the ISD charges from Singapore to India: and
- (b) if so, whether the Government also propose to reduce the rates of ISD to various countries and Singapore in particular to boost overall competitiveness?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Department of Telecommunications has already introduced concessional rates for ISD calls to all countries including Singapore during off-peak period i.e. between 2300 Hrs. and 0600 Hrs. with effect from 1st June, 1995.

Nickel

5558. SHRI SOUMYA RANJAN: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of nickel plant in the country, locationwise;
- (b) the approximate quantity reserve during the last three years, year-wise;
- (c) whether the import of nickel was made during the aforesaid period;
- (d) if so, the foreign exchange spent on import thereto:
- (e) whether the Government have any proposal to set up new plants in various States; and
 - (f) if so, the details thereof, location-wise 2